(b) whether it is also a fact that the residents of the area had sent a number of letters to the D.D.A, earlier requesting them to fill the deep pit;

(c) if so, what are the reasons for not filling the pit in time;

(d) whether any action has been taken against the concerned officials of D.D.A.; and

(e) whether any compensation has been paid to the parents of these boys and if so, what are the particulars thereof?

THE MINISTER OF WORKS AND HOUSING (SHRI ABDUL GHAFOOR): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The residents had requested for filling up of the pool.

(c) A scheme was drawn up to fill up the pool with rubbish/malba available in large quantity in the nearby housing pocket under construction. This work was in progress at the time of the incident.

(d) An enquiry has been ordered in the matter.

(e) The amount of Rs. 1500 has been paid to the parents of each of the deceased children for immediate expenses. Compensation as per law in this regard will be paid on the basis of finding of the enquiry.

**Taking over of Hindi News Agencies**

*171. DR. BAPU KALDATE: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pelased to state:

(a) whether Government have any proposal to take over or give financial assistance to the Hindi News Agencies which are facing closure; and

(b) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI V. N. GADGIL): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

**Substandard D.D.A. flats**

*172. SHRI SHANTI TYAGI: Will the Minister of WORKS AND HOUSING be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that hundreds of recently built DDA flats in several colonies have been found to be below standard;

(b) if so, what is the number of such flats and their location; and

(c) what action has been taken against officials and contractors found guilty in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF WORKS AND HOUSING (SHRI ABDUL GHAFOOR): (a) Yes, Sir, a number of flats have been found to be below standard.

(b) 29 cases of substandard construction of flats have been reported during 1983-84 as per details in the statement laid on the table of the House—Statement I.

(c) Details of action taken against officials/contractors is given in the statement laid on the table of the House—Statement II.

**Statement-I**

A. *List of works having defects as observed during 1983-84 based on the quality control inspection.*

| Sl. No. | Name of work |
|---|---|
| 1. | C/o 59 Cat. III, 28 Cat. II flats, car garrages and servant quarters in Pkt. B East of Kailash. |
| 2. | C/o 512 MIG Houses at Dilshad Garden Pkt. 1 ,New pattern) SH: C/o 256 MIG DU's at Dilshad Garden Gr. II including internal development of land. |
| 3. | C/o 941 Janta houses in Pkt. I at Dilshad Garden with internal development at Dilshad Garden SH: C/o 471 Janta houses Gr. I at Dilshad Garden. |
| 4. | C/o 926 Janta houses in Trans-Yamuna Area at Gazipur Dairy Farm Kkt. I including internal development SH: 179 Janta houses at Gazipur Gr. A-III. |
| 5. | C/o 926 Janta Houses in Trans-Yamuna Area at Gazipur Dairy Farm Pkt. I including internal development SH: c/o 142 Janta Houses at Gazipur Group AI & A2. |
| 6. | C/o 300 Janta DU's including internal development Zone E. 2. |
| 7. | C/o 40 MIG houses at Nirman Vihar. |
| 8. | C/o 7000 DU's in Trans-Yamuna Area SH: C/o 300 DU's (60 MIG 240 LIG B Group I at Trilok Puri). |
| 9. | C/o 378 LIG Houses at Nand Nagri Pkt. 6 C & D including Internal development Water Supplied and sanitary. |
| 10. | C/o 208 LIG Houses at Paschimpuri Pkt. P-6-VA. |
| 11. | C/o 350 MIG DU's at Jahangirpuri. |
| 12. | C/o 138 SFS houses at Gulabi Bagh. |
| 13. | C/o 480 LIG houses Pkt. VI Sector VI Rohini. |
| 14. | C/o 200 LIG houses in Pkt. A Poorvi Pitampura. |
| 15. | C/o 198 MIG Houses at Pitampura Gr. III. |
| 16. | C/o 192 MIG Houses at Pitampura, Pkt. B (Poorvi). |

B. *List of works having defects in the construction work of D.D.A. as found by the fact finding committee.*

| Sl. No. | Name of work |
|---|---|
| 1. | Construction of 130 DU's of SFS houses at Gulabi Bagh. |
| 2. | 96 DU's of MIG & 96 DU's of LIG flats in Dilshad Garden, Shahdara. |
| 3. | 224 DU's of SFS houses Pkt. E, (Bodella Extn.) Vikaspuri. |
| 4. | SFS houses 80 M Cat. III, 40 M at East of Kailash. |
| 5. | Construction of 1092 Janta Type houses at Paschimpuri. |
| 6. | Construction of 194 DU's of SFS at Malvia Nagar Extn., Saket. |
| 7. | Construction of 204 DU's of SFS at Malvia Nagar Extn., Saket. |
| 8. | Construction of 208 mixed MIG LIG flats at Pitampura Gr. I. |
| 9. | Construction of 192 MIG flats at Pitampura Gr. III. |
| 10. | Construction of 160 SFS houses at Shalimar Bagh. |
| 11. | Construction of 960 houses at Lawrence Road. |

| Sl. No. | Name of work |
|---|---|
| 12. | Construction of 320 MIG DU's at Jahangirpuri. |
| 13. | Construction of 168 MIG, 56 LIG houses at Trilokpuri. |

**Statement**

A. *Details of action against officials*—

Departmental proceedings have been initiated against 62 Engineers. Out of these one is Chief Engineer, 14 Executive Engineers, 20 Assistant Engineers and 27 Junior Engineers.

B. *Action against contractors:*—

(i) Contractors debarred from further tendering .... 17

(ii) Contractor on whom showcause notice has been issued.... 1

(iii) Contractors on whom action for issuing showcause notice is in process .... 6

(iv) Contractor to whom warning has been issued ..... 1

Regarding action against the remaining contractors recommendations of the concerned Chief Engineers are awaited.

**Auction of flats sin the Asiad Village**

*173. SHRIMATI USHA MALHOTRA:

DR. LOKESH CHANDRA:

Will the Minister of WORKS AND HOUSING be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to auction 645 flats in the Asiad Village against rupee payment; and

(b) if so, the details of the proposal?

THE MINISTER OF WORKS AND HOUSING (SHRI ABDUL GHAFOOR): (a) There is no proposal to auction these flats.

(b) Does not arise.

**Workers rendered unemployed due to closure of texile mills**

*174. SHRI M. S. GURUPADASWAMY:

SHRI BISWA GOSWAMI:

Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state:

(a) what is the total number of employees rendered jobless due to closure of textile mills during the year 1984 and so far upto May, 1985;

(b) what steps have been taken to provide alternate employment to such employees; and

(c) the number of persons provided employment State-wise?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTER OF LABOUR (SHRI T. ANJIAH): (a) to (c) A statement is laid on the table of the House.

**Statement**

According to the information received from the Department of Textiles, the total number of employees affected due to the closure of cotton textile mills in India as on 31-5-1985 is 95,415.

2. The Textile Policy Statement contemplates the creation of a Rehabilitation Fund to provide relief, for a limited period, to workers affected by closure of textile mills. This would be in addition to the statutory benefits to workers. The Policy Statement also provides for giving priority to the workers of closed textile mills in securing employment in other units.

3. However, State Governments/Union Territory Administrations are the appropriate Governments under the Industrial Disputes Act, 1947 to deal with matters relating to closure of textile mills. The State Governments/Union Territory Administra-